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"All the News that Fits We Print"



BEFORE THE BELL



"They came from afar...."



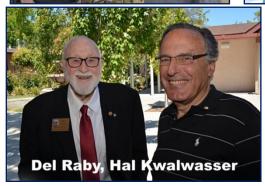










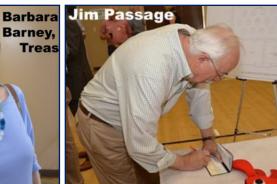








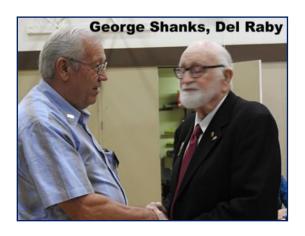








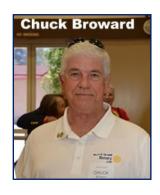










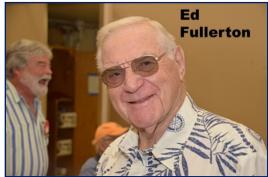








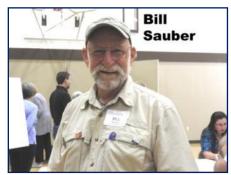






































Future Programs



July 21, 2017

Speaker: Elisa Baker, Mary Bigelow-Gale

Program: Food for Thought

July 28, 2017

Speaker: Mario Uribe **Program: Art Smart**

August 4. 2017

Speaker: Keller McDonald

Program: "Sebastopol Rotary: Where

DisCon18 Takes Flight"

August 11, 2017

Speaker: Lu Frazier

Program: Sebastopol Center for the Arts

August 18, 2017

Speaker: Dr. Jan Weiner

Program: Inclusive Education for Students

w/Disabilities

August 25, 2017

Speaker: TBA

Program: Mentoring Through College

Roseland University Prep



Future Events



Club Picnic: 8/20

Lobster Fest ("Circus") 9/30



Miscellany



Next Board Meeting

Date/Time: **August 8, 2017, Tues 5:30** Location: Jack Blasco's Home, Sebastopol (Graton)

MAKEUP NOTIFICATIONS-JackEDunlap@gmail.com

On-line Make-Ups: www.RotaryEClubOne.org

Domestic Violence Hotline:

707-546-1234

INTERACT MAKEUPS

Analy High: Check Day, Time with

Dan Rasmus or Donna Pantzer

Brook Haven: Check Day, Time with

Pauline Pellini or Mike Carey

Orchard View: Check Day, Time with Lisa Jacobs Twin Hills: Check Day, Time with Dan Rasmus or

Monica Kretschmer

For all Interact Mtgs.:

CALL AHEAD TO CONFIRM MEETINGS ! CHECK IN AT SCHOOL FRONT OFFICE FIRST!

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Somewhat "new" and eager to earn his "stripes", President Jack Blasco opened our meeting by inviting Scott Briggs to lead us in the Pledge of

Allegiance.



President Jack then informed us of the passing of Rotary International President-Elect Sam Owori, 1941-2017. We all joined in a moment of silence in memoriam.



We all viewed a short film celebrating 'Who We Are as Rotarians.' The film described us as "problemsolving partners and professionals memories with no end to what we can accomplish".



President Blasco then announced all the visiting Rotarians and guests in our midst. Talk about Rotary BRASS! – [See "Before the Bell" -Ed.] Rapid introductions kept three AppleKnocker Photographers very busy and included: Past RI Director John Blount and Patti; DG Bob Rogers and Peggy; DGE Barb Spangler and Jim; DGN Kathy Flamson; PDG's: Larry Myers and Jill, Del Raby, Bruce Campbell, Erna Stevenson and George Shanks, Ken Moulton, Ed Fullerton, Jim Flamson, Michael Juric, Helaine Campbell, Kevin Eisenberg and Mary, Wulff Reinhold and Paula; Lt. Governor Valerie Hulsey; and AG's: Len Geraldi and Sylvia, Marnie Goldschlag, Mike Pastryk, and Vicki Whiting.

Visitors from the following clubs were asked to stand: <u>North Napa</u>, <u>Petaluma Sunrise</u>, <u>Rancho Cotati</u>, <u>Rohnert Park- Cotati</u>, <u>Santa Rosa</u>, <u>Santa Rosa East</u>, <u>Sebastopol Sunrise</u>, and <u>Valley of the Moon</u>. [A full house! **-Ed.**]





Jeff Boal had the lucky number for the raffle, but alas, had no luck with throwing darts at the balloons. Need to strengthen that arm a little, **Jeff**.



CRAFT TALK -- HARRY POLLEY





Next, Exalted Rotary Badge #1, Harry Polley, spoke of his 49 years in Rotary. His family moved from San Francisco to Sebastopol when he was 2 years old. His dad opened George Polley Real Estate in 1954. While in college, Harry got his real estate license and worked with his dad in the summer. After graduation, Harry and Dave Madsen teamed up and in 1976 open up Polley, Polley and Madsen Realtors along with Harry's pop, George. Their motto was "Service, Integrity, and Results". As if overseeing four offices, a mortgage company, and 2,000 transactions a year was not enough, Harry was also

President of Sonoma County Board of Realtors, Director of the California Association of Realtors for 16 years, Regional Vice-President for California Association of Realtors, Director of California Real Estate Business Services, served on the Sebastopol Planning Commission, and was a Palm Drive Hospital Board Trustee for 18 years. **Harry** maintains that Rotary is the best way to give back to the community.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS -- SRJC SCHOLARSHIPS





Henry Alker, Scott Briggs and the SRJC Scholarship Committee went through 63 applicants this year and have narrowed their scholarship selection down to 3 candidates. The criteria used for selection was scholarship, leadership, and a humanitarian element in a realistic view. Winning scholars:



<u>Ana Onofre Leon</u>, who immigrated here at 6 years old speaking no English. A hardworking girl with a Dean's list 4.0, she is striving for a masters in Nursing. In addition Ana has cared for her semi-paralyzed Mom since the birth of a younger sister.

<u>Jordan Jayne</u>, in her 4th year at Analy, has a 3.86 in Natural Science, and is working to become a nuclear medicine technologist. An accomplished swimmer, Jordan teaches swimming, and volunteers for youth services and hunger projects.

Anna Suffelbeam has a 3.61 GPA at the JC. She is striving for an Associate Degree in Fashion. She recognizes that the fashion/textile industry is the 2nd most toxic industry next to petroleum. She has a 3 year old and volunteers at CERES as a commercial kitchen manager





ANNOUNCEMENTS -- LOBSTER FEED





Aleia Coate made our Lobster Feed fundraiser announcement – The event is set for September 30, 2017. Ticket sales are going well. We only have 40 seats unclaimed, so do not delay. We are in need of live auction items and please see **Richard Petersen** for ideas.



RECOGNITIONS



Ellen Harrington was fined \$5.00 for her birthday. When asked how she celebrated, she said that she had promised not to tell! **Mark Stevens** turned 70 and celebrated on the North Fork of the American River. White water all the way.





Richard Power and Bob Rogers are biking the 6-day trip from Crescent City to Petaluma, raising money for POLIO. Have you seen some of those hills? Old guys rule!



THE PROGRAM -DG Bob Rogers Banner Transfer Ceremony



Bob Rogers is no longer the District Governor Elect. He's now the District



Governor. Not only did he bring home the Home Club Banner for his club to display (the last time it was here was 1990 when John



Blount did us the honor), but was also given a Happy Hour basket to be auctioned off on his bike trip completion. 「Actually will be auctioned off at his next District 5130 club visit. **–Ed**.1 While traveling on this G-line, Bob was honored to receive a black G-string, a most and musk appropriate attire. Recalling



Governor Bob's ill-fated human raffle, President Jack then duly bestowed on **HIM** the coveted 'Order of the Golden Zucchini'



Past District Governor Wulff Reinhold then bid us farewell. He said what a privilege and honor this amazing ride has been. His team included everyone. His emails are now manageable and he is now looking to get rid of banners, pins, buttons, etc. Wulff passed quite a few along to new Governor Bob including a framed boxed necklace inscribed with all past Governors names since 1934.





Governor Bob is the 27th Governor of District 5130, and the 102nd Governor of precursor District 13.

Pins were presented, the DG pin to Governor Bob, DG spouse's pin to Peggy Rogers, and Past DG pin to Wulff.





Assistant Governor to out-going Wulff and incoming **Bob**, Marne Goldschlag, took to the podium. Marne praised Wulff for being such a tech-savvy, loving, family man and all-around good guy. But he had a "dark" side - crime, drugs, arson, and destruction of public property. In his 30+ years in law enforcement, EMT, and firefighting, Wulff has seen it all. A cowboy-farmer with a Tom Selleck mustache. PDG Wulff was passionate about young professionals as Rotarians.



Bob Rogers claimed Wulff as a mentor who always took the

"high-road".



PDG Helaine
Campbell thanked
Wulff for his service,
and Mike Pastryk
praised him for his
recruitment style...
and for passing along
his G-string to
Governor Bob.



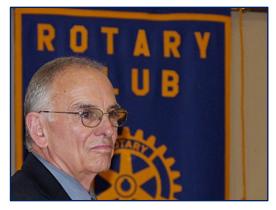
Kevin Eisenberg maintained that PDG Wulff brought technology to Rotary, and has traded in his bolo



and cowboy hat for a more sporting bicyling garb in honor of our new Governor.

Club members and guests joined in with **Maestro Keller McDonald** to sing "*Happy Trails*" to outgoing District Governor Wulff Reinhold.









With that, **District Governor Rogers**, with the expressed permission of **President Jack Blasco**, struck the bell ending a most momentous second meeting, and surely Jack must be happy to have this one under his belt.

















The AppleKnocker is the weekly newsletter of the Rotary Club of Sebastopol. It has been published in various forms for over fifty years -- from hand-stuffed-in-envelopes mimeographed black & white copies to the present format, emailed every Tuesday.

Over a dozen "Scribes" (who write what happens at a meeting), over a dozen "Photogs" (Photographers, who run fast to catch the action), five –Ed.'s (Editors who put it all together using Word and PDF), and our Wrangler-Artistic Director (HH) add up to more than thirty members. The AK is a great way for a new member to put names and faces together and gain an understanding of what is happening in the club.

July 21, 2017: Elsa Baker, Volunteer Manager - Food for Thought

<u>Elisa Baker</u> began volunteering at Food for Thought nine years ago and loved it —always leaving feeling better than when she arrived. She was hired as the Volunteer Manager at Food for Thought in 2008, carrying on the work and filling the



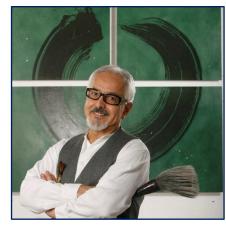
huge gap left by the death of Stewart Scofield. Elisa was the volunteer coordinator at Canine Companions for Independence for five and a half years, and before that coordinated Artrails and was the exhibitions curator for the Sonoma County Cultural Arts Council. She was born in Noblesville, Indiana and has her masters in Library Science from UC Berkeley. She was the librarian at Ursuline High School and at Santa Rosa Junior College. Elisa has one son, Andy, and in her spare time enjoys gardening, photography, reading, and movies. As a volunteer manager, she is used to asking, begging, and pleading for time and talent. Currently there are 600 active volunteers at Food For Thought who do it all. Her assistant and constant 'canine' companion, Samir is a large yellow lab, who shares her life and her office. They live in Forestville and can walk to work every day. Both Elisa and Samir are very grateful to be working in a compassionate, caring, fun-loving environment with great staff and volunteers.

Alex Newhouse is currently serving at Food For Thought as an AmeriCorps fellow. He has been assisting with volunteer management, food bank operations, outreach efforts, and training material development. Alex joined Food For Thought as a twice-weekly volunteer in January 2016, and was privileged to request and be granted placement there by AmeriCorps in March 2017. Alex greatly appreciates working with the Food For Thought community and the

AmeriCorps program itself, which has afforded him an incredible learning experience. Alex graduated from UC Davis in December 2012 with a BA in Linguistics and a BS in Psychology.

July 28, 2017: Mario Uribe - Art Smart

Mario Uribe is a graduate from The California Institute of The Arts and the Oomoto School of Traditional Arts in Japan. For over 50 years, he has worked in a diversity of media, ranging from animation to public art, with the last 27 years heavily influenced by traditional Japanese arts. He has exhibited widely in this country, Europe, Asia and Mexico. His works form part of museum and private collections in the US and Europe and his public art, with a focus on community involvement, can be seen in many US cities. In Santa Rosa, Uribe is responsible for the Veterans Memorial Monument behind City Hall, the large mosaic rainbow trout across the street in Gateway Park, and numerous other murals and sculptures. He is also a founder and creative director of Artstart, a non-profit educational arts organization dedicated to training young artists for the past 18 years.



August 4, 2017: **Keller McDonald** – "Rotary Club of Sebastopol: Where DisCon18 Takes Flight"



The Rotary Club of Sebastopol has the pleasure and privilege of having one of our own Past Presidents serve as Rotary District 5310 Governor for the 2017-2018 Rotary year! District Governor (DG) Bob Rogers is at the helm, piloting over 45 Rotary clubs from Petaluma to Del Norte on the exciting adventure that is Rotary! The capstone of **Bob's** year as **District** Governor will be the annual Rotary District 5130 Annual Conference, to be held May 18-20, 2018 at McClellan Air Force Base near Sacramento, CA. Our program this Friday will give us a glimpse into Bob's vision for the District Conference and our Club's pivotal role in making DisCon18 a fun and rewarding event. The conference theme, "Rotary: Where Dreams Take Flight" is propelled by McClellan's unique setting and history. The McClellan officers club and living spaces



have been transformed into the Lion's Gate Hotel, our primary conference lodging. Hangars from the air base have been repurposed into the spacious McClellan Conference Center. And McClellan is home to the Aerospace Museum of California, where we'll have a special reception for conference attendees only! We'll be looking and listening for how our entire club can be engaged in a multitude of support roles for the District Conference. It's "all hands to your stations!" to make DisCon 18 a fantastic success and show off the talents and energy that are the hallmarks of the Rotary Club of Sebastopol!

August 11, 2017: Lu Frazier – Sebastopol Center for the Arts

Born Oakland, CA and graduated from Castro Valley High. Met husband, Bud, in high school and married when we were twenty. Graduated from San Jose State University with a degree in social science and a secondary teaching credential. Moved to LA and taught social studies and English for 11 years on the Palos Verdes Peninsula School district. Ten years later, we had two boys, Dan & Scot. Bud graduated Long Beach State University and taught inner city LA for several years and then became an insurance broker.

While in LA, purchased 80 acres in Sea View Ranch (Cazadero) and 33 acres above Roblar and Canfield Rd. Moved to Roblar property in 1976 and built home and farm there. Raised sheep for cash and assorted other farm animals along with an acre garden. Children attended Twin Hills School District. I became full time volunteer librarian at Twin Hills for four years. Returned to college and attended Sonoma State University, receiving a Master's Degree in Business Management, emphasis in managerial economics and accounting. Worked in various local CPA firms in the county as an accountant and helping install and debug accounting software. Acquired my CPA and CMA certificates,



Wanting work in the Sebastopol area, I accepted a position at Hearthsong as accounting manager. When Hearthsong was sold and moved to Peoria, ILL, I moved to J Wine in Healdsburg and managed the accounting department for 11 years. Again wanting a position closer to Sebastopol, I accepted a Controller/CFO position at Iron Horse Vineyards. Retired from Iron Horse after 10 years. Currently working freelance for very small wineries.

I am member of the Institute of Management Accountants, a Certified Management Accountant, and past president of the Redwood Empire Chapter. Also a member of the Sebastopol Chamber of Commerce and past president, current vice president. Board member of the Sebastopol Center for the Arts, currently president. Still licensed as a CPA and insurance agent.

I enjoy travel, books, gardening, friends, family and helping West Sonoma County denizens sign up for Covered California health insurance pro bono. Dan is currently the Advanced Senior Art teacher at Del Mar High in San Diego, married with a 16 year old son, Jack. Scot is Chief Operations Engineer, Urban Airship in San Francisco.